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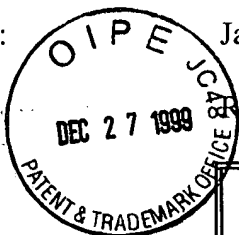
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REPLY TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

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Sir:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement dated September 23, 1999, the claims of Group I (Claims 1-11) drawn to recombinant MVA virus are elected for prosecution. Applicant reserves the right to file a continuing application or take such other appropriate action as deemed necessary to protect the inventions of Group II (Claims 12, 21, 23 and 28), Group III (Claims 13-16), Group IV (Claims 17-20), Group V (Claim 24), Group VI (Claim 25), Group VII (Claims 26 and 27) and Group VIII (Claims 28 and 30). Applicants do not hereby abandon or waive any rights in the Groups II-VIII invention.

The requirement is being traversed for the reasons set forth in detail below.

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